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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: UNGA EGEN  
SUBJECT UN RESOLUTION ON CORRUPT PRACTICES BY  
TRANSNATIONAL ENTERPRISES (TNE'S)

REF: STATE 254860

1. ECONCOUN CALLED ON MOFA U/SEC FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS  
MAHMOUD SHALABI ON OCT 29 TO CONVEY USG VIEWS ON DRAFT  
RESOLUTION ON CORRUPT PRACTICES AS CONTAINED REFTEL, AND LEFT  
COPIES OF POINTS MADE PARA 7 AND RECOMMENDATION CONTAINED  
PARA 8A.

2. SHALABI WAS FAMILIAR WITH LIBYAN/IRANIAN DRAFT, BUT  
APPEARED UNSURE OF WHETHER OR NOT EGYPT HAD ALREADY  
SUBSCRIBED TO ITS SUPPORT. HE WAS VERY INTERESTED IN  
PROBLEMS POSED BY PRESENT LANGUAGE OF RESOLUTION, AS UNDERLINED  
PARA 7 REFTEL, AND PROMISED TO INSTRUCT UN MISSION TO LOOK  
CAREFULLY INTO SITUATION, CONSULTING WITH USUN (AS HE ASSUMED  
WAS ALREADY BEING DONE) TO SEEK POSSIBLE COMPROMISE  
LANGUAGE.

3. AS REGARDS MOVE TO REFER QUESTION TO SPECIAL UN  
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COMMISSION, SHALABI FELT THIS WAS QUITE POSSIBLE AND AGREED

TO RECOMMEND CONSIDERATION OF THIS COURSE. HE DOUBTED THAT  
GOE COULD SUBSCRIBE TO CONDEMNATION OF INDIVIDUALS  
SOLICITING ILLEGAL PAYMENTS, SINCE THIS WOULD AMOUNT TO  
A HOST COUNTRY CONDEMNING ITS OWN PEOPLE (ALTHOUGH HE ADMITTED  
THAT HOME COUNTRIES WERE BEING ASKED TO CONDEMN THEIRS) AND  
THE REAL CULPRITS ARE THE TNE'S, WHO OFFER PAYMENTS. HE DID NOT  
ACCEPT EMBOFFS THESIS THAT ONCE PAYMENT IS MADE, REGARDLESS  
OF WHETHER PAYOR OR PAYEE ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED TRANSACTION,  
BOTH PARTIES ARE EQUALLY GUILTY OF ILLEGAL ACTION.  
REMAINDER OF PROVISIONS PARA 8A APPEARED ACCEPTABLE TO SHALABI.  
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